

SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

HEARING EXAMINER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2017-363-C

ORDER NO. 2018-11-H

JANUARY 19, 2018

Hearing Examiner: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Application of Airus, Incorporated for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Facilities-Based Local Exchange and Resold Long Distance Telecommunications Services and for Flexible Regulation of Its Local Exchange Services and Alternative Regulation of Its Long Distance Service Offerings Within the State of South Carolina

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Motion to Hold Hearing by Video Conference

HEARING EXAMINER'S ACTION:

Motion granted. Counsel for Airus, Inc. moves for an Order granting leave to present the testimony of its witness at the hearing by video conference at the time of the hearing on the merits of this application. Neither the Office of Regulatory Staff, nor the South Carolina Telephone Coalition oppose the request. The witness, John McCluskey, who is the General Manager of the Applicant, manages the Company from Chicago, Illinois, and would like to avoid the expense of traveling to Columbia for a hearing. In fact, counsel states that traveling to Columbia would constitute an economic hardship. Clearly, the interests of judicial economy would be served by allowing Mr. McCluskey to testify from the remote location. The Motion is granted.